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1. (C)U) PRIME MINISTER HAFIZULLAH AMIN, IN A RECENT INTERVIEW WITH SEVERAL FOREIGN JOURNALISTS PUBLISHED LOCALLY ON SEPTEMBER 6, REVEALED THE FOLLOWING AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

-- HE GAINED HIS POLITICAL AWARENESS IN THE UNITED STATES WHILE A STUDENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN IN THE SUMMER OF 1952. AT THAT TIME HE TOOK SEVERAL POLITICAL SCIENCE AND ECONOMICS COURSES, "USED TO GO TO THE SOCIALIST PROGRESSIVE CLUBS," AND "CLOSELY WATCHED CAPITALIST CONDITIONS."

-- HE FOCUSED HIS ATTENTION ON ORGANIZING AND RECRUITING PARTY CADRE WITHIN THE MILITARY IN 1973, AFTER HAVING SERVED FOUR YEARS IN THE PARLIAMENT WHICH EXISTED UNDER THE MONARCHY.

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